



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

*Pet. Sec.*

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
P.O. Box 1450  
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450  
www.uspto.gov

JUN 18 2004

XP  
PAPER NO. \_\_\_\_

In re Application of  
Donald E. Govani et al.  
Serial Number: 10/667619  
Filed: September 22, 2003  
For: METHOD OF PREPARING A SYNTHETIC FUEL  
FROM COAL

PETITION UNDER  
MPEP 708.02 VI

This is in response to the petition filed September 22, 2003, requesting that the above-identified application be granted Special Status pursuant to 708.02 VI of the MPEP and 37 CFR 1.102(c) (**no fee required**).

The request for Special Status considered under Section 708.02 VI is granted because criteria under 37 CFR 1.102(c) has been met.

Accordingly the petition is **GRANTED**.

*Marian C. Knode*

Marian C. Knode, Special Programs Examiner  
Technology Center 1700  
Chemical and Materials Engineering

Michael B. Martin  
Patent & Licensing Department  
Nalco Chemical Company  
One Nalco Center  
Naperville IL 60563-1198